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Alley employees sacked

by Rebecca Handford

In a surprising shift of policy, Scott's Food Services laid off almost all of the Alley's daytime waiting staff Monday.

Citing \$33 000 to \$35 000 losses last semester, Scott's will be "streamlining" operations, including a five percent hike in food prices. The move comes after a change in Scott's strategy decided upon last week by Scott's executives.

The workers were only given one day's notice.

"I can't believe it," said one staff member who wished to remain anonymous.

"It's really going to ruin the quality of the service. It seems weirdly drastic. Surely Scott's must have known this before yesterday."

As of next week, there will not be any table-service during the day. Customers will have to line up at the counter and clear their own tables.

Two staffers will work behind the counter and a third person will help during the busy lunch hours. As well, there will be menu changes including the end of made-to-order sandwiches.

"Table service as a concept doesn't necessarily work for the Alley," said Alley manager and ex-Students' Society executive member J.C. Viens.

Viens estimated Scott's could have potentially lost \$40 000 if the staff had remained. He still predicted the loss of "quite a bit of

money."

"The present option, however, is still cheaper than having staff," he said.

Some customers were angered by the decision.

"That's terrible," said Alissa Black.

"The waitressing service took a long time, but it was good for people to have jobs. It's really sad."

"Pre-wrapped sandwiches are

gross. If they're going to keep the prices the same, they should at least have the same food," said another Alley customer.

Lay midwives excluded

by Lysandra Marshall

The Québec government is planning to exclude lay midwives from negotiations on the legalization of midwifery. A group supporting lay midwives are protesting this exclusion from proposed pilot projects.

"We are not being included in the planned pilot projects," said Janolyn Prest of the Ad Hoc Committee of Lay Midwives. "That means we will be excluded from the legalization process, and be pushed underground."

The proposed pilot projects will work with midwives already employed in hospitals, who have trained outside of Canada and do not perform homebirths. Lay midwives, in contrast, are trained by apprenticeship and self-study, and perform homebirths.

Some professionals in the medical field expressed concern over the safety of home births.

"We are not encouraging women to give birth at home," said Augustin Roy, President of the Professional Corporation of Physicians of Québec. "Although complications are rare, it is a step backwards for people to give birth at home without the back-up of hospital technology."

Roy does however support midwives working in hospitals, in collaboration with doctors.

"Québec physicians want to co-operate with midwives, not be opposed to them," said Roy. "Physicians are interested in working in teams with midwives, in the hospital."

Not all health officials are opposed to homebirths.

"I think parents should have a choice," said McGill Student Health Services Doctor Judith Lebitan, "provided that they know the risks of homebirth and take responsibility in the event of a bad outcome."

The Ontario government is in the process of legalizing midwifery and plans to help develop a university degree in midwifery by this spring. Many European countries also offer four-year training programs in midwifery.

The Committee is holding a benefit concert featuring artists such as Men Without Hats, Centrifugal



Force, Danièle Martineau and Rockabayo, Kalimba Kalimba, Jimmy James and Special Blend. "We want to raise public awareness of the exclusion of lay midwives in the legalization process," said Prest.

The benefit concert will take place on February 6 at 20h30, at Club Soda, 5240 ave du Parc. Admission is free with three signed copies of a letter

supporting the inclusion of lay midwives in Québec's pilot projects.

Letters will be sent to Premier Robert Bourassa, Health Minister Marc Yvon-Côté and to the decision-making committee.

Without letters, admission is \$5 plus a signature on a form letter at the door. For information call 278-4220 or 279-8653.

FEUQ membership question removed from ballot

Referendum question ruled unconstitutional

by Peter Clibbon

Several McGill students want to take their membership in a provincial students' federation to referendum. But Students' Society bureaucrats are refusing to even let the issue go to a vote.

Anthropology student Brian Schnarch organized a referendum question on ceasing Students' Society membership to La Federation Étudiante Universitaire du Québec (FEUQ).

William Stee, the official responsible for overseeing Students' Society elections, said Schnarch's referendum question was unconstitutional because it would alter "financial matters" of Students' Society.

According to the Students' Society constitution, student-initiated referenda cannot alter "fees or other financial matters" of the Society. Only referendum questions initiated by Students' Council can



Brian Schnarch.

tamper with fees.

Stee said the question would make Students' Society withhold membership fees to FEUQ (presently \$1 per student per semester), and reallocate the funds elsewhere in the Society's budget.

"The question deals directly with reallocating fees," said Stee. "The financial consequences are intrinsic in the question."

But Schnarch said Stee and fellow Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Deanna Vanderyagt are nit-picking on the constitution.

"According to the CROs' logic, all student-initiated referenda could be ruled unconstitutional, because referenda themselves cost money and alter the spending of the Society," said Schnarch.

VP External Karla MacDonald said it would be immoral and illegal to collect and then not pay fees to FEUQ.

"Student initiated referenda can only reallocate funds or change the philosophy of Students' Society," she said. "This question would make a specific change to the Society's finances."

Chantal Sundaram, another supporter of the referendum question, said the CROs are going far beyond the "spirit and intent" of the constitution.

"The idea of curtailing the power of student-initiated referenda was to prevent flash-in-the-pan referenda from slashing Students' Society's budget," she said. "Instead, it's being used to insulate the

Society's decision from the democratic process."

Stee admitted it would be extremely difficult for students to leave FEUQ, even if a majority of students on campus were dissatisfied with the organization.

"A student-initiated referendum question to get out of FEUQ would probably first require a constitutional change," he said. "It would need to be very carefully worded."

Said Schnarch: "It's like Students' Society has pushed us into a black hole and no matter what we do, we can't get out."

The CROs' decision is only the latest development in the political saga at McGill over FEUQ.

Last year McGill students voted by a slim majority to enter FEUQ. Several months later, McGill students overturned the decision and rejected FEUQ membership in a student-initiated referendum.

Soon after, however, the Judicial Board overturned the second refer-

endum decision, claiming it was unconstitutional because it altered fees collected by the Society for FEUQ.

Schnarch said the CROs' decision contradicts last year's Judicial Board ruling.

"Last year's Judicial Board ruling explicitly explained how we could go about phrasing a constitutional question to get out of FEUQ," said Schnarch. "We followed their recommendations and they're still ruling it unconstitutional."

He also questioned why the CROs consulted a member of the Students' Society executive on such a loaded issue as FEUQ membership.

Stee said by the constitution CROs are allowed to consult the VP Internal. He said VP Internal Alex Johnson advised him with the referendum question, but Johnson had no final say in their decision.

Schnarch said he will appeal the decision to the Judicial Board.

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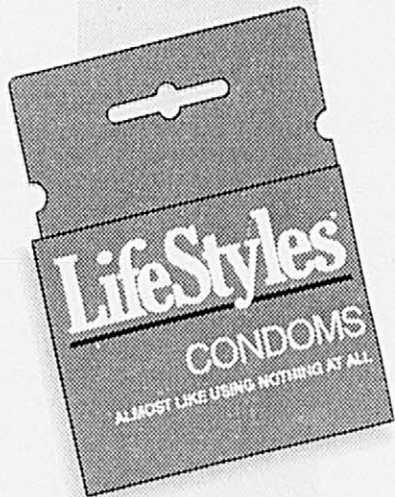
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EVENTS

McGill Québec is organizing a wine and cheese today from 4:00 to 6:00pm at Peterson Hall (3460 McTavish). We will be presenting our activities for this semester: a literary contest, cafés, and the semaine francophone. All are welcome.

McGill International Socialists are organizing a meeting: "A year after the Gulf War: The real face of the new world order." Union Building, Room 435, wednesday, 7:30pm. Contact 528-5886 for more information.

The Loyola Peace Institute in collaboration with the Lonergan College announces a public seminar by Professor David Wilson: "Violence in Northern Ireland; Searching for Solutions". Wednesday, 4:00-5:30pm. 7302 Sherbrooke w., Lonergan College, Loyola Campus.

McGill Chaplaincy Service presents Rabbi Yakov Travis, with the lectures "Exploring Torah, the Five Books of Moses". Every wednesday, 4:00-5:00pm, and "Judaism, an Introductory Crash Course", 7:00-8:30pm at Hillel House, 3460 Stanley Street. All Welcome.

El Salvador 1992: Questions for the Future. Sponsored by McGill's Latin American Awareness Group, Wednesday January 29, 6:00pm, 550 Sherbrooke St. W Room 1175

QPIRG Annual general meeting. Help plan an eventful year. Leacock 232, 6:00pm, Today.

Droit De La Famille La Centre des femmes offrent une série de rencontre le mercredi, le 29 janvier: Le Séparation et divorce, 18h30 à 21h00. Admission 5.00\$ par personne. Veuillez confirmer votre présence à l'avance en communiquant avec Anne Marquis 842-4285.

Karl Polanyi Institute of Political Economy and The School of Community and Public Affairs present professor Daniel Drache, political science, York University; Right Between the Eyes: the Target and Limits of European Economic Integration. Today, 17:00-19:00, Concordia University, School of Community and Public Affairs, 2149 Mackay Street, Basement Lounge.

Exposition des oeuvres récentes de Richard Roy (peinture acrylique), du 8 janvier au 29 janvier 1992. Bar La Cervoise, 4457 boul. St-Laurent, 15h00 à 3h00 tous les jours.

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COMMENT

Distinct tuition

Two years ago, tuition in Québec universities was \$550 a year. This set the province apart from other Canadian universities where average tuition hovered near \$2000. But in 1989, then-Education minister Claude Ryan raised tuition by more than 160 per cent. At McGill base tuition rose to \$1400 in two years.

To justify the hike, Ryan and Premier Robert Bourassa pointed to other Canadian universities. After all, they said, if tuition in the rest of Canada is higher, it's only reasonable for Québec to hike fees.

In the same year, the drive for Québec sovereignty was once again on the rise. Bourassa, with renewed separatist wind in his sails, went into constitutional talks with "distinct society" as his catch-phrase.

Québec's society was "distinct" because of its language, culture, history and different approach to addressing social issues. Québec society could not be set in the same mold as English Canada.

Why then, in the same year, did Bourassa rant about a "distinct society" and compare tuition fees in Québec with the rest of Canada? If we are living in a truly "distinct society," apart from English Canada, why all of a sudden the use of English Canada as a benchmark for Québec education?

If Québec is a truly distinct society, certainly one of its most valuable distinct qualities was its low tuition fees and relative accessibility to education.

After Québec froze tuition fees in 1969, university and college attendance levels skyrocketed at a pace unparalleled anywhere else in Canada. In the 60s, Québec had the "distinct" privilege of having the lowest education levels in Canada. Québec also maintained an extremely privileged and elitist attitude towards higher education.

But in '69, Québec made a choice other provinces weren't prepared to make and accessibility to education was the top priority.

But Bourassa now seems to be implying our loyalty to the "distinct society" goes only as far as a walk to the bank. Québec is prepared to defend its culture only as long as it doesn't have pay for it.

If a dollar is attached, Québec is quite prepared to screw students, just as easily as governments in English Canada.

Dave Ley
Peter Clibbon

LETTERS

Creative Writing

To the Daily:

The article by John Dirlik and Youssef Arafat "The \$10 Billion Question," (McGill Daily Jan. 20, 1992) mistakenly appeared under the heading of "news analysis." It belonged in a section of the newspaper devoted to fiction and misinformation. Their work is a tribute to this University's creative writing department.

The article quotes Lord Caradon, author of UN resolution 242 as saying that the resolution called on Israel to withdraw from "the occupied territories." Lord Caradon spoke as follows to the Beirut Daily Star, (June 12, 1974) "It would have been wrong to demand that Israel return to its positions of June 4, 1967 because those positions were undesirable and artificial. That's why we didn't demand that the Israelis return to them and I think we were right not to..."

The article quotes President Carter's mistaken belief that the resolution called for "withdrawal on all three fronts." This contradicts his UN ambassador who stated "such withdrawal language did not receive the requisite support either in the Security Council or in the Assembly."

The authors maintain that the resolution calls for "An Israeli

withdrawal from the territories seized in 1967, in exchange for Arab diplomatic recognition of the Jewish State." The actual text calls for Israel's "right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force," and "withdrawal of Israeli armed forces from territories occupied in the recent conflict." The wording is deliberately unprecise. The then US ambassador to the UN stated "The notable omissions — which were not accidental — in regard to withdrawal are the words 'the' or 'all' and 'June 5, 1967 lines'. In other words, there is lacking a declaration requiring Israel to withdraw from 'the' or 'all' the territories occupied by it on and after June 5, 1967." The UN Council refused to vote on the French version of 242 because it used the words "des" and "les". However, Mr. Dirlik and Mr. Arafat consider the accepted text to be "a rather creative interpretation, ... not accepted elsewhere." Perhaps the elsewhere to which they refer is their imaginations.

I ask the McGill Daily to please stop masking fictional truth and ensure that its writers use the editorial page for comments founded in reality, not fantasy.

Melanie Notkin
East Asian Studies U3



Daily Newswriters meeting at highnoon in ye olde Daily office (Union B-03).

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HYDE PARK

Body Image event disappointing

opinion by Eliza Jane Getman

What a disappointment the Body Image event turned out to be. The publicity campaign was better organized and informative than the speakers. I left angry that an opportunity to speak directly to our community about our distorted image of ourselves was blown out the window with more rhetoric and stereotypes and gross generalizations and extreme cases that had little to do with my own experience with Bulimia.

The issue was skirted and they missed the point. They measured weight and caloric intake and disregarded the value of whole and healthy personhood and nutrition. They said these obsessive compulsive eating disorders have little to do with food and seemed to suggest that we seek therapy for all our emotional imbalances, but I know that I was a pretty emotionally stable person who didn't understand how, when and what to eat. It was food that had the power to destabilize me. And my body terrified me.

I rarely ate out of acute hunger. I binged out of boredom, procrastination, depression, frustration, fear, greed, a need for reward, a refusal to "waste", a desire to participate... There was always an inability to say "no thank you", "I don't want any", "I don't like that" or "I've had enough". I retched because I was literally too full to digest, afraid of gaining weight, feeling guilt for abusing my body, punishing myself for overeating... It wasn't all the time everyday. But I was food conscious all the time everyday. I wanted to snack even though I wasn't hungry.

I didn't understand taste, I understood sweet. I didn't understand what I was eating or why, only that somehow I "needed" to.

We are continually offered so much processed, packaged junk to put into our systems. It's the salt and the sweet that excite our taste buds without satisfying our appetites. If we can learn to refuse these substitutes, we can begin to understand and accept our bodies and their need for nourishment. There is a sensitive and informative chapter called "Food" in the new "Our Bodies, Ourselves" (a book by women for women) that offers a complete picture on our contemporary nutritive problems and possibilities. It names the important nutrients we need and tells us where to find them.

I have changed my diet and eating patterns and I'm neither seduced or terrified by food anymore. This is intrinsically related to how much I value myself. It is a question of respect and appreciation of all the bodies I come into contact with (my mother's changing body seems the most beautiful because of the context). I love my body and I understand how to take care of her. The process of learning how to nourish myself has radically changed the way I eat and live and perceive myself. It has reawakened my senses. A trip to the market becomes an adventure. I don't eat junk. I love to prepare gourmet feasts to share and I can finish a meal or enjoy a coffee with a decadent slice of hazelnut meringue chocolate cake and feel no guilt because I'm enjoying the taste.

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The Black Taxi service is one of the most popular public transport networks in West Belfast. The ancient black taxis follow fixed routes, and pedestrians flag them down when they need a lift.

The service began in the late 60's during the "troubles"; when clashes between predominantly Catholic Nationalists, predominantly Protestant Loyalists and British troops became regular occurrences.

City buses stopped entering Nationalist neighbourhoods, and taxis became the sole means of transport in West Belfast. Although bus service has resumed operations, locals continue to ride the Black Taxis.

Taxi drivers are lucky to have jobs with unemployment hovering near 80 per cent in many Nationalist areas like West Belfast's Ballymurphy district. Most of the population in Ballymurphy supports self-government or reunification with the Republic of Ireland.

But taxi driving has its occupational hazards.

British troops often harass drivers, and Loyalist paramilitary organizations, who support continued British rule in the North of Ireland, occasionally stage attacks. Two drivers were killed recently and several more have died in the past few years.

Although loyalists say the Black Cabs work for the Irish Republican Army, taxi drivers say their organization is not linked in any way. But individual drivers obviously have their own sympathies.

In November the Daily spoke with a Black Taxi driver about the political situation in the North of Ireland. For his safety, he is referred to as Patrick.

BY JIM ROBERTSON

'WE'RE NOT GOING RESISTING T



Northern Ireland is famous for its political murals.

Daily: The British government has said the IRA cannot be defeated militarily. Is the war at a stalemate?

Patrick: It could be a stalemate. Members of parliament have stated on several occasions that they cannot defeat the Irish Republican Army (IRA). On the other hand, the IRA cannot defeat the British government. So if they are admitting that it's a stalemate, then there's an awful lot of wasted life.

They should look at different avenues to try and resolve the situation in this country. In my opinion, they will never resolve the situation in this country unless they talk with the IRA.

It's OK talking to MPs and political parties. But at the end of the day, the people who are fighting this campaign are the IRA. If you want the campaign to end peacefully, the people you must talk to are the people who are doing the fighting, which is the IRA.

But I'd recommend that you first look at the long history, from the 60s right up to the present campaign.

To me, it all started when the civil rights movement went to Derry to protest in October 1968. They were beaten off the streets by police with batons and water cannons. The police led into Catholic and also Protestant people, because they wanted their own civil rights.

What civil rights were they fighting for at that time?

Just the basic civil rights that anyone in the world is entitled to. Your right to live, your right to work, your right to better housing, and so on.

So people were discriminated against in housing and at the workplace?

I would say in particular that the Catholic people had the worst housing in Western Eu-

rope.

There were also no jobs for them. All the best jobs were industrial and they were all filled. The jobs that were left were cast-off jobs the Loyalists didn't want, and the Catholic people had to take them.

So Catholics had the worst houses, and the worst and least-paid jobs.

This led to the movement for civil rights. Catholics wanted the right to live the same quality of life as the person on the other side of the street.

What was the reaction from the state to the civil rights movement in 1968-69?

In any country in the world, if the poor people get educated then they will run their country some day. To me the civil rights organization was like a poor people that hadn't got their basic rights.

They stood up against the state and the state saw they were growing, they were getting popular, and it figured the best thing to do was to stop this. So they sent in their forces to beat these people down.

Was it at this time that the Irish Republican Army (IRA) started to reform?

During the civil rights campaign the IRA did not exist. If they did exist, it was in a very very small way. They had fought their campaign in 1916, but after that they were in a lull.

Basically there wasn't the IRA until the British troops came in August 1969. Even at the start there wasn't a big following for the IRA. It was only when the British troops began to turn on the Nationalists and started their harassment, beatings, and their murders. That was the birth of the present IRA.

The British troops were originally sent in

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after 6:00 pm. This lasted for a few days, then the courage of the Nationalist people really showed. All the women went onto the street to take on the might of the British army. They said "We will not be held under curfew."

All the women from everywhere came out onto the streets and the British government lapped it, they lapped it. A whole load of women beat the British army and all their tanks, their guns, their soldiers, their water cannons, they lapped it.

As the campaign started to grow and pick up pace, there were more prisoners and you had the internees. They were classed as P.O.W.s and they had political status. These people really believed that they were part of an army fighting the British government and troops. They were P.O.W.s and they should be treated like P.O.W.s and nothing else.

Later there was a process of criminalization to take away their status and to treat them as criminals. Did this start the hunger strikes?

The British government would never give the IRA credit for who they were and what they stood for. As time went on, IRA members were put into Long Kesh Prison, where they were no longer classed as P.O.W.s and they weren't granted political status.

That took us into a very bitter hungerstrike. Ten IRA volunteers died on hungerstrike in 1981, after all avenues for reform had been exhausted. The first one to die was Bobby Sands.

Over 30 000 people voted for Bobby Sands while he was on hungerstrike and he became a member of parliament. That shows obviously the support for the movement at that time.

There was an awful lot of support and the British government made the same mistake they made when they introduced internment. When they let this hungerstrike go they should have given the prisoners their five basic and just demands.

So the hungerstrikes brought the attention of the world to what was happening in Ireland. What was the response to the hungerstrike in the Nationalist community?

The response from the Nationalist community was severe. There were riots in the streets and people out fighting with the British army. The British army in turn did a lot of damage to the Nationalist homes, wrecking all they could and causing havoc. It was a real sad and bitter time.

This was all caused by the British, again, it was murder, murder to the highest degree. If you can't speak out for what you believe in,

and you can't speak and fight for your rights, well then what can you do? You're better dead. In my mind I think that was the attitude of the hungerstrikers.

Can you tell us about the censorship of the Republican movement?

I'd say the British government control the media; they only tell people what they want them to hear. They will not report the true facts.

They will not allow Sinn Fein (the IRA's political wing) speak to their voters or fight elections on television or radio. Could you imagine your government people trying to fight an election without television or radio or newspapers?

The British government tells the world press about atrocities that happen to innocent people. In a war-torn country like Ireland, you'll always get civilians killed. It's most regrettable and the IRA have on several occasions apologized for innocent civilians getting killed. Nobody likes to see innocent civilians getting killed.

But on the other hand, on the other side of the coin, the British media never report about the murder of innocent children from plastic bullets, innocent people murdered by the Royal Ulster Constabulary (a largely Protestant militia in the North of Ireland) or the British Army.

So as usual, if the British government control the media, they'll only tell you what they want. They will not report the full facts to tell you.

All parties should take responsibility. Recently Loyalists hit squads have murdered 24 Catholics. These were totally innocent people, all killed because they are Roman Catholic. Not one of these people in the past four or five

IN ANY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, IF THE POOR PEOPLE GET EDUCATED THEN THE POOR PEOPLE WILL RUN THEIR COUNTRY SOME DAY.

months had been a member of the IRA.

You shouldn't take too much out of what the British media and the press say about the situation in Ireland. There's always two sides to every story.

If you're really interested in our problem, we would welcome anyone, newsreporters, television crews, radio, anyone who can help us in our struggle for our freedom, for our country. Don't take my word for it, or anyone's word for it, come and judge for yourself.

Then make your own judgement, where you won't be biased or prejudiced by the British and their newspapers.

If you don't come, you won't know. Good luck.

as a "peace keeping" force. What was the situation on the streets at that time?

At first when the British troops were sent in here, the Nationalist people were getting burnt out of their houses by the Loyalists. It was total chaos. The British troops were sent in as a peace keeping force, but they turned on the nationalist people.

People were ready to join the IRA at this time cause they had no faith in the British troops. All of a sudden, the British peacekeeping force turned on the Nationalist and started beating them.

So they're no longer treated as a peacekeeping force and they are treated as an enemy. They are troops in a foreign country, because Ireland is Ireland.

The Loyalists felt threatened because the Nationalist people were starting to stand up and be counted.

Was it at this time that the British Army imposed internment?

It was in 1968. The Loyalists were in government at the time and they introduced internment, which means jailing innocent people without trial. It's like locking someone up and throwing the key away.

It was just one big sweep on the Nationalist area to pick up all suspected IRA men or IRA sympathizers. It was all Nationalists and no Loyalists.

But when they introduced internment they put petrol on the fire, 'cause people were running to join the IRA.

All the people could do was go on the streets and try to fight for their rights. People were getting interned for no reason. Their families were getting harassed, their homes were getting ripped to pieces, the kids were getting chucked out of bed at all hours of the night. It

was a total blanket of harassment from the British to try to beat down the Nationalist people.

So the Nationalist people, in response to the British war machine, went into the streets and fought. It was really crazy. To me, it was a really bad time in Irish history when men, women and children were on the streets fighting for their rights.

I don't think the British gave enough thought to the situation. They were looking for a quick way out, which was to intern the Nationalist people, but the people just wouldn't lie down.

Everyone was involved at that time in the street fights and everyone was helping everyone.

They wanted was to keep the Nationalist people down and then they thought the whole situation would blow over in a few weeks, but it had the total opposite effect. It actually brought people onto the streets who would of never come onto the streets, because they had seen their people suffering all this heartache and harassment.

The people from all over the North of Ireland all stood up the day they introduced internment and said: "We're here, we want our rights; we're here to be counted and we're not going to go away."

In what other ways did the Nationalist community respond to British repression?

One of the things the community organized was a rent and rates strike because the houses they were living in were't even worth paying rent for. They were really bad conditions and a need for urgent repairs which never came. Why pay rent for something that's not livable? You might as well be living in the street.

On another occasion, there was a curfew on the Falls road. No one was allowed on the street

Walk-Safe Network expands

by Michelle Cooper

The Walk-Safe Network is expanding its services. Students will be able to phone in to a central dispatch in order to be accompanied anywhere in the immediate McGill area.

"The library walk-home was only serving a specific crowd. Our ultimate goal is to provide services that are in line with the specific needs of the users, instead of having people arrange themselves for us. There is a real need for expansion," said Kelly Gallagher-Mackay of Walk-Safe.

The new service will allow people to call in and be walked to anywhere in the parameter between Stanley St. and Parc Ave., Sherbrooke and Pine, and the residences.

"So far the expansion seems like it's going to be a success," said Gallagher-Mackay. "The sign up for volunteers has been pretty optimistic. We are essentially depending on our volunteers."

The expansion, according to Gallagher-Mackay, is part of fulfilling the network's goals as a grass-roots and feminist group. "We have a mandate that is essentially addressed towards women being able to walk safely whenever, wherever. Safety is a right."

Unfortunately, the expansion has its limits.

"First of all, the time is restricting. There's great demand for this service until 3 a.m. on Saturdays, but that's when it's the most difficult to get volunteers," said Gallagher-Mackay.

Walk-Safe will be applying for Functional Group status with the Students Society next year.

"In order to expand services further, we hope to get paid walkers, perhaps incorporated into the Work-Study program."

They will continue sexual assault awareness on campus, including posterage about known assaults in the area.

Students will have to call in between 7h30 and 23h30 in order to ensure service in up to forty-five minutes. "In general, the waiting time will be less than 20 minutes," according to Gallagher-Mackay. The daily walk home service from the Redpath Library will continue.

The Walk-Safe Network is still looking for more volunteers. "We needed about 75 new volunteers. Each volunteer would be required to put in two hours a week. We can still use additional recruits."

Interested students can sign up at the info kiosk in the Union building lobby. The dispatch will be located at the Womens' Union at 398-6823.

Students to get access to evaluations

by Anthony O'Sullivan

Students will soon have access to course evaluation results.

A McGill Senate work group is presently fleshing out exactly what information students will eventually obtain.

Members of the work group were evasive about which details will be made available to students.

"Parts of these evaluations will be made public and other parts will be a confidential matter between professors and their chairman," said work group member and Associate Academic Dean John Provan.

Departments currently use course evaluations to decide issues such as merit pay or tenure. At the moment, only professors and department heads have full access to evaluations.

Last semester, the McGill Senate approved in principle the publicizing of course evaluation results.

Students' Society president Scott Mitic said students and administration need access to course evaluation results.

"Faculty need course evaluations for their purposes and we need them for ours," said Mitic.

"Students have a right to see the views of their peers in order to make faster and better course choices."

But Dean of Students Irwin Gopnik said a closer look is needed before evaluation results are circulated among students.

He said the work group discovered that according to the Québec

Privacy Act, professors must give their full consent before course evaluation information is distributed.

Also the work group will address how class size will affect the reliability of evaluation results.

"At what point does a class become too small for course evaluations to be accurate," asked Gopnik.

Some Senate members feared statistical inaccuracy or misinterpretation of data could unfairly harm a professor's reputation.

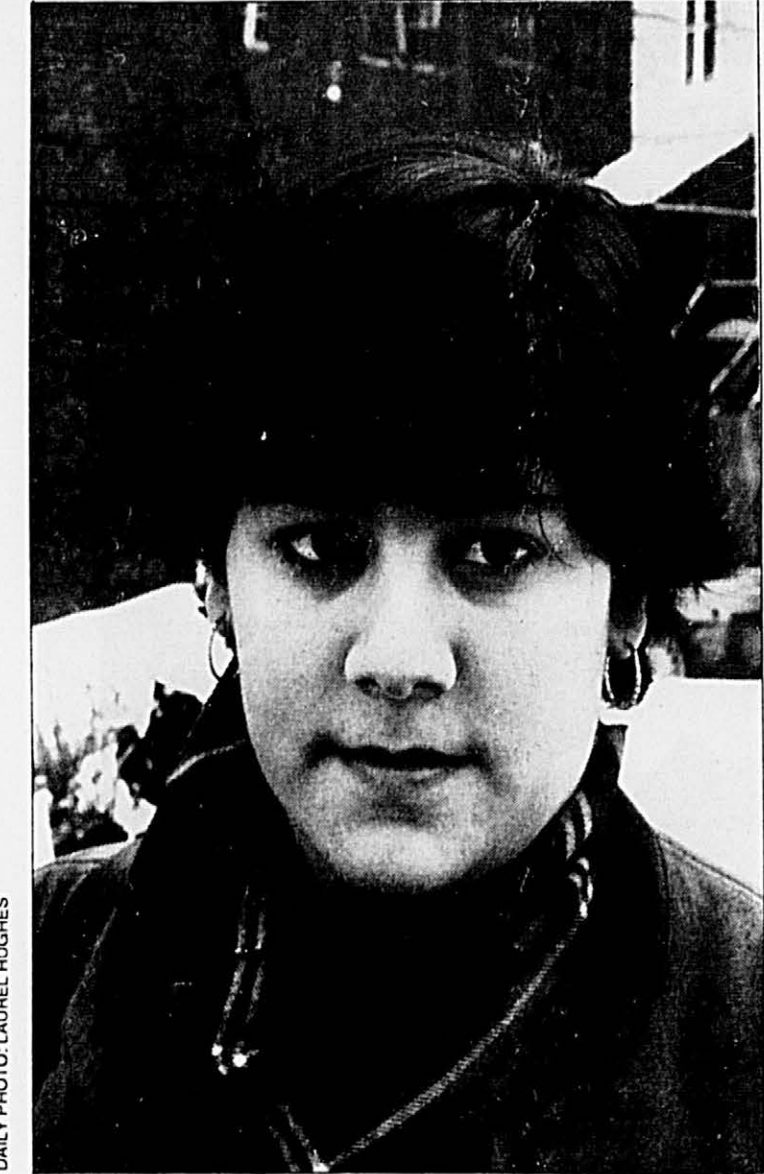
English Students' Society president Melanie Lee assured professors that students only want a better means of judging courses than by word-of-mouth.

"The professors have to understand that we're not out on a head-hunt."

Under current McGill policy, departments independently decide on "which parts" of evaluations remain confidential. The difference between departmental policies has irked students.

"Why should students in management have access to course evaluations while students in political science are told results are confidential," one McGill student asked.

Although the resolution called specifically for course evaluations to be made public, the sponsors made it clear that the eventual goal is to compile all course evaluations into a calendar format for easy student access.



DAILY PHOTO: LAUREL HUGHES

English Students' Society president Melanie Lee.

Other Canadian universities such as the University of Toronto,

Queen's and University of Western Ontario currently make course evaluations available to students.

PGSS COUNCIL BRIEFS

The Post Graduate Student Society (PGSS) Council passed four resolutions at their January 15 meeting.

"All resolutions reflect the desire among post grads to create an environment of accessibility, not elitism, for all people regardless of socio-economic status," said PGSS president Michael Temelini.

PGSS's next meeting will take place next Wednesday. For information, call 398-3756.

Say no to fee increases

The PGSS unanimously condemned the recent tuition fee increase announced by Education minister Lucienne Robilliard and supported by the Fédération Etudiante Universitaire du Québec (FEUQ). Council members said increased tuition creates an economic barrier for many Québeckers and fails to properly address university underfunding.

"Graduate students reject the FEUQ manifesto and their naive way of dealing with tuition fee increases," said Temelini. "They don't represent the real concerns of students."

International students stiffed

The extra fees paid by international students were also condemned as a barrier to the "fur-

ther development of Québec universities and society as a whole." Councilors argued international students make both direct and indirect contributions to Québec's economy.

"A number of studies indicate international students are not a burden on Québec's economy," said PGSS executive member Eugenio Bolongaro. "We need to dispell the myth that international students are all rich Americans. Many, in fact, come from Third World countries."

Québec government blind

Council passed a resolution in support of l'Association des Optométristes du Québec (AOQ) and its fight to keep optometric services within the province's medicare program.

The Québec government has proposed removing optometric services from Medicare, in-

cluding free eye exams.

"We feel the government's decision demonstrates the lack of importance it attaches to such a precious and vital sense for falsely economic reasons," said the AOQ in a press release

McGill to charge even more?

PGSS council denounced any effort by the ministry of education to vary tuition between different universities and faculties.

"Having different universities charging different fees will threaten the fairness and universality of the university system," said Temelini.

The resolution opposed such a modulation on the basis that it would create a "U.S. style hierarchy of universities which is detrimental to the educational system and innovation in academic research."

According to the PGSS resolution, the education ministry may allow universities to charge higher fees for certain programs "on the basis, among others, of the excellence of each institution."

At the moment, only professional faculties such as dentistry and medicine pay greater tuition fees.

— Kristen Hutchinson



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Red Herring taking tiny bits of paper with funny words on them until March 16th. Stop by Union 406 or dance on the kiosk.

We need your story and/or opinion! We are compiling information on the McGill self-defence course. Please help us out. Leave a message for Fiona at 398-6823 or 398-7432.

Newman Centre Student Retreat. January 31 to February 2. Theme: Praying with body, mind and spirit. Led by Fr. Tom Ryan. Activities include skiing. Cost: \$40. Call 398-4106.

Start saving your glass, tin and plastic. Gardez vos items recyclables pour GRIP Québec. QPIRG will collect them during their February 3-7 Empowerment Week.

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GENERAL ELECTIONS & REFERENDUM

TO BE HELD MARCH 10, 11, 12, 1992

Referendum questions are hereby called for.

Deadline for submission to C.R.O.s: February 14th, 1992, 13h00

Nominations are hereby called for the following positions:

Students' Society Executive:

President
Vice-President, Internal Affairs
Vice-President, External Affairs
Vice-President, University Affairs
Vice-President, Finance

Senate:

Arts (includes Social Work)
Dentistry
Education
Engineering
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1 undergraduate representative
6 Directors for Board of Directors
3 Directors for Board of Directors
9 Directors for Board of Directors

Education:

2 representatives
1 representative
1 representative
2 representatives
1 representative
1 representative
1 representative
1 representative
2 representatives

Arts & Science Undergraduate Society:

President
Vice-President, Internal Affairs
Vice-President, Administration

President
VP Academic
VP External
VP Administration
VP Finance

Vice-President, Finance
Vice-President, Arts
Vice-President, Science

Arts representative to Students' Society:

3 representatives

Science representative to Students' Society:

2 representatives

Arts Member-at-large:

2 representatives

Science Member-at-large:

2 representatives

DEADLINE: Friday, February 14th, 1992 at 13h00

Official nomination forms are available from the Students' Society General Office, University Centre and must be returned to same c/o Chief Returning Officers; Deanna Vanderyagt & Willam Stee, C.R.O.'s

McGill students need money for access

by Sara Robson

A proposal to make permanent a two dollar fee to Access McGill will go to referendum this March.

Access McGill, the student's society club for students with disabilities, plans to use the fee revenues to purchase equipment. The equipment will provide students with disabilities better access to McGill programmes and facilities.

"The fee is less than the price of a one movie ticket per year," said Meribah Aikens, the co-ordinator of services for students with disabilities.

"It is not much to give up for people who might otherwise be restricted from a university education."

"This fee is different from tuition fees because it is specific money going to a specific area," said Rosalind Ward Smith, VP University Affairs. "The university is required to help provide for students with disabilities but there is just not enough funds to go around."

Students have been paying the two dollar fee each semester since 1988, but Access McGill wants to make the fee permanent. "It is not a new fee, we can see that disabled students have benefited greatly in



Rosalind Ward-Smith, Studsoc V.P. University Affairs.

the past," said Ward-Smith.

"The money provided from the referendum has been an absolute godsend" said Aikens.

The Access McGill van, which

provides transportation for club members, was purchased with \$40,000 from those fees. "Everyone is really proud of the accomplishments of the group, especially

because of the van," said Christine Echols, Chairperson of Access McGill.

Other examples of equipment that the club has purchased include

a camera mounted on top of a microscope which projects the enlarged image of a slide onto a video screen. This is helpful for two medical students at McGill who are legally blind.

A \$15,000 reading machine was recently purchased to read print aloud to students with visual disabilities. Access has also used funds acquired from the fee to put together a taped collection of library reading material.

A special room in Redpath Library has been provided where students with disabilities can use two hard disk computers and print enlarging equipment.

Aikens explained that the bulk of their present funds are invested but will soon run out if this year's fee is not passed in the referendum.

Access McGill has organized an Access awareness day to "sensitize everyone on campus towards students with disabilities," said Echols.

Events include demos of their latest equipment, recruiting of graduating students by employment equity companies; a simulation wheelchair basketball game in the Union Ballroom and a possible seminar on sign language.

Access awareness day is on February 17. For more info, call Christine Echols at 931-6343.

CITY COUNCIL BRIEFS

Montréal city council meets approximately every three weeks and meetings are open to the public.

For information on the next council meeting, call 872-1111.

How did Pallacio get keys?

City Council executive committee member John Gardiner was questioned as to how police lieutenant Pablo Palascio obtained keys to public housing units in the Little Burgundy neighbourhood.

"Why did the police department have keys to public housing units," asked Democratic Coalition councillor Sam Boskey. "Unless the police have a specific warrant to enter a place, they should not have access. To do otherwise would be illegal."

Pallacio has been accused of being corrupt and using excessive force during "drug crackdowns" in Little Burgundy. Other accounts accuse the renegade cop of protecting crack dens in the neighbourhood for a cut of profits.

Nick Speaks!

Nick Auf de Maur criticized Sam Boskey for focusing too much on the negative aspects of police, instead of addressing the role of police to combat drug-related crime in the city. He referred to Boskey's (aforementioned)

criticism of Lieutenant Pallacio.

Boskey responded by saying that although drug-related crime is a serious problem in Montréal, police must not be allowed to use illegal measures.

We love Papineau! Twice!

Mayor Jean Doré reaffirmed his commitment to the continued beautification of the city, including the restoration and upkeep of monuments.

However, one Montréaler during the public question period thought some the city's effort somewhat excessive.

It seems a certain Papineau statue is receiving the same repairs for a second year in a row. Worse yet, the repairs are being made on a copy of the statue, which was only temporarily placed at the site to replace the original.

Businesses taxed too much(?)

Complaints were made by a Montréal businessman that a recently imposed 14 per cent business surtax is hurting the city's commerce.

Montréal mayor Jean Doré responded that the surtax was necessary to fund public transportation. He said the province had withdrawn a considerable amount from the public transportation budget, footing the city with a \$150 million bill.

— Dave Ley

FEUQ CONFERENCE IN BRIEF

In an effort to keep readers informed of our student leaders' weekend frivolities, the *Daily* has produced a summary of the latest gathering of La Fédération Etudiante Universitaire du Québec (FEUQ), held Saturday in Lennoxville, Québec.

Loans and bursaries not addressed

The council met amidst concerns the organization was backtracking on their proposal to push for increased funding to the loans and bursaries system.

FEUQ recommended to the government last fall that tuition fees be indexed to the consumer price index, on the condition that loans and bursaries and university subsidies be increased in parallel.

In December, the Québec government announced it would raise university tuition by six per cent. But it did not announce reforms to the loans and bursaries system, nor to university subsidies.

At the council meeting, FEUQ members expressed satisfaction the government had "indexed" fees. Loans and bursaries issue were not discussed.

"It is a little surprising that half of FEUQ's platform, that of indexing loans and bursaries as well as tuition, was not mentioned," said Eugenio Bolongaro, President of the Post-Graduates Students Association of Québec (RACSQ). "It seems that half of its proposals have fallen off the table."

FEUQ members defended themselves by claiming the issue will be discussed at the upcoming meeting

of Québec student associations (the "CEREQ").

"FEUQ has been corresponding with the minister on this issue and we will bring it up at the CEREQ conference this weekend," said Students' Society VP External Karla MacDonald. "FEUQ's position will become very evident this weekend."

"We want to gather opinion from a larger body," said Pierre Paquette, of the student association of the Université du Montréal. "So we are waiting for the CEREQ conference to address the issue."

FEUQ executive member Denis Sylvain said "FEUQ will be meeting with the minister to discuss the issue and will report back to FEUQ members before the upcoming CEREQ conference."

We want it in writing

FEUQ councillors also planned lobbying the Québec government to begin legislating tuition fees in the National Assembly. As it stands now, tuition fees are left to the discretion of the education minister.

"We want the government to pass a law governing changes to tuition so the (education) minister cannot act arbitrarily," said Sylvain. "The government will first have to consult students before making changes to tuition fees."

Bolongaro questioned whether it was a good idea to institutionalize tuition fees at their present level.

"I'm not convinced it's a good idea to further bureaucratize the process affecting tuition," he said. "It makes absolutely no sense to freeze a bad situation, which we are in regarding tuition fees."

Student movement to come together

Bolongaro presented a report on behalf of RACSQ to FEUQ delegates recommending meetings of Québec's student movement be more inclusive.

"We want a more democratic structure to CEREQ, to change it more to a forum of discussion than a decision-making body," said Bolongaro. "This is assure that minority groups, such as post-graduates and continuing education students don't have decisions forced upon them."

Bolongaro's proposals were generally well received.

"We support RACSQ's proposal in principal," said Karla MacDonald "CEREQ should be open to all student groups, no one should be intimidated by it."

In the past, general meetings of the student movement have been rife with factional disputes between federations, and CEGEPs and universities.

"As it is now, many groups feel isolated at a FEUQ dominated conference," said Bolongaro.

— Dave Ley

